

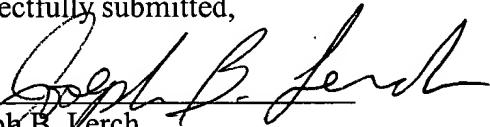
**REMARKS**

Claims 6-9, 16-18, 24, 25 and 27 are presently pending in this application, all of which are allowed.

With the cancellation of the rejected claims, this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to act favorably on this application at the earliest date.

Dated:

Respectfully submitted,

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